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09/357,233, filed July 20, 1999, now U.S. Patent, No. 6,304,264, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/867/727, filed June 3, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,969,721.—

IN THE CLAIMS

Please <u>cancel</u> claims 1-21 without prejudice, or disclaimer of the subject matter claimed therein and <u>add</u> the following new claims 22-33:

-22. (New) A method for modifying an animation wireframe comprising:

aligning a depth map with a color map;

scaling the animation wireframe in a first direction based on a plurality of distances between feature pairs within a plurality of feature pairs of the depth map;

adjusting in a second direction the location of a first animation wireframe point to correspond to a first point on the shape surface;

appointing a color scheme to the wireframe based on the color scheme of the color map.

- 23. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein a primary point is selected from the depth map based on the pell's protrusion with respect to other pell's on the depth map.
- 24. (New) An apparatus for substantially fitting an animation wireframe to a three-dimensional representation, the apparatus comprising:
- a first device for aligning a depth map with a color map, a second device for providing the animation wireframe, a processor receiving a first input from the first device and a



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second input from the second device, the processor programmed to:

select a primary point within the depth map;

draw a first profile line through the primary point parallel to a first access; select at least one secondary point within the depth map;

estimate a first scaling factor; and

scale the animation wireframe according to the first scaling factor to form a fitted animation wireframe.

- 25. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the primary point within the depth mapprotrudes the furthest from the depth.
 - 26. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the first axis defines a first profile line.
- 27. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the secondary point lies substantially along the profile line.
- 28. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the secondary point can be identified by protrusion from the depth map.
- 29. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein the scaling factor is estimated as a function of the distance between the primary point and the secondary point.